

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-19 are pending, claim 11 is rejected, and claims 1-10 and 12-19 are allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing these claims.

Claim 11 is cancelled without prejudice and disclaimer. Claims 1, 2, 5-7, and 14-19 are amended to correct informalities.

Drawings

Responsive to the objection to FIG. 1, applicant has amended FIG. 1 to functionally labeled blocks 11, 12, and 21, and to indicate that signals 17 and 19 go to deflection circuitry. Support for the amendments can be found, for example, at page 4, lines 8-12, and page 5, line 17.

Applicant has also amended claim 1 to add a zener diode D1, coupled to the Vcc pin of the EEPROM 12. Support for this amendment can be found, for example, at page 9, lines 20-23.

Specification

Responsive to the objection, applicant has amended the title as follows: "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING A MEMORY SHARING SIGNAL CONTROL LINES WITH OTHER CIRCUITRY," and amended the specification to add the following headings as suggested: TITLE OF THE INVENTION, BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION and the two subheadings, BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION, BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWINGS, and DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.

Applicant has also amended the paragraph at page 9, line 17 to describe the zener diode D1 added to the circuit shown in FIG. 1.

Claims

Responsive to the objections, applicant has amended claims 7, 14-16, and 19 as suggested. Applicant has also amended claims 14-19 to directly depend from claim 13. In addition, applicant has amended claims 1, 2, 5, 6, and 18 to correct other informalities.

Responsive to the rejection of claim 11, applicant has cancelled claim 11 without prejudice and disclaimer.

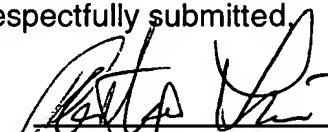
Conclusion

Having fully addressed the Examiner's objections and rejections it is believed that, in view of the preceding amendments and remarks, this application stands in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited. If, however, the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at (609) 734-6813, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

Fees

No fee is believed due. However, if a fee is due, please charge the fee to Deposit Account 07-0832.

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